IOWA EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION March 7, 2002 Stanley Conference Room First Floor - Iowa Workforce Development 1000 E. Grand Avenue Des Moines, Iowa

The SERC met this morning and this is a briefing of that meeting.

There was not a quorum, so no action items could be voted on. The two new members that I visited were in attendance.

Anne Jackson ran the meeting in the absence of Chris Scase.

The main discussion point was Anne's change in jobs. She is being moved into a statistical office, because of retirement and budget cuts and layoffs, that area has to be filled and she is the only one that can do it. The Commissioner of Labor is inclined not to allow Anne to continue to serve on the SERC or to do SERC work because it is not related to her new job. Also, they looked at the Admin rules and decided that Div. of Labor had provided a SERC secretary about long enough and that the current chair could start to supply their own. So that means this most likely was Ellen Hester's last meeting. These moves also mean the death of the Tier 2 data system as we know it. Data will not get entered, unless they can find a grant or something.

We did talk about the Gary Brown/ Plymouth County spill problem as it relates to the DNR statue that allows a spiller to not pay for the spill clean-up if it was caused by a third party. Kathy Lee said that their legal people were looking at it and would have a report by the next meeting.

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